Embassy of the United States of America
Vientiane, Lao P.D.R.

ELECTRONIC VISA APPLICATION FORM (EVAF)

From March 1, 2006, the application for a non-immigrant visa can now be downloaded and filled out on the Internet. This saves time and effort for the applicant and the Embassy. Please read below.

All applicants for non-immigrant visas at the U.S. Embassy Consular Section may use the Electronic Visa Application Form (EVAF). The form and instructions are available at either:

http://travel.state.gov/visa/frvi/forms/forms_1342.html, or

http://evisaforms.state.gov

A limited number of Internet-connected computer terminals with printers are available for use to the public, free-of-charge, in the Public Affairs Section of the Embassy (located next to the Consular Section). Many Internet shops and services can also provide access to the EVAF website, along with assistance in completing the form, for a fee.

To use the EVAF, applicants must complete the electronic **DS-156** visa application form online, print 1 (one) set of the form and barcode page (**See sample of the barcode page on reverse page**), complete the **DS-157** and **DS-158** if applicable, and bring all of these papers to the Consular Section for their interview. The online DS-156 form does not transmit any information to the U.S. Department of State electronically. The printed barcode contains all of the application information. All applicants must follow these steps prior to being interviewed at the Embassy:

A.   Complete the DS-156 EVAF on the Internet at either of the above-mentioned links. Please pay special attention to these areas:

1.   To use the electronic visa application form, your Internet browser must support 128-bit encryption and you should use either an ink-jet or laser printer to print the completed application form. If you are using Windows Internet Explorer, the minimum version that will work with this site is version 5.0, with service pack 2. If you are using Netscape, the minimum version that will work with this site is version 6.2. You must also have Adobe Acrobat Reader installed on your computer in order to download and print the completed application form. The minimum version that will work with this site is version 5. If you do not have Adobe Acrobat, you may download a copy from http://www.adobe.com/products/acrobat/readstep.html

2.   Complete the form, press "CONTINUE", print the DS-156 EVAF and two-dimension (2-D) barcode page.

3.   Staple the DS-156 EVAF to the 2-D barcode page (and the DS-157, DS-158 if applicable), and bring one (1) set of these pages to the interview.

B.   Present the completed DS-156 EVAF and DS-157 (or DS-158 if applicable) with the correct 50mm x 50mm front-face photographs (white background) at the Embassy consular cashier. The visitor visa application fee is $ 100 USD per applicant.

Sample of the barcode page that must be printed and attached to Form DS-156 EVAF.

U.S. Department of State
SUPPLEMENT TO
NONIMMIGRANT VISA APPLICATION

PLEASE BE SURE TO SUBMIT THIS PAGE WITH THE REST OF YOUR APPLICATION

DO NOT MARK OR WRITE IN THIS SPACE

JOHN DOE

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29. Additional Visits to the U.S.:
30. Additional Visa Issuances:
31. Additional Visa Refusals:

FILTERED NAMES
Names that an applicant has almost certainly entered in error such as 'NONE' or 'NA' have been removed by the EVAF software from the data in the 2D barcode. In the unlikely event that an applicant has a name like 'None' or 'NA', you will have to enter the name in NIV or RDS manually. The following names have been filtered:

- 'NONE' was removed from the 2D barcode for Item 8 (Other Surnames Used)
- 'NONE' was removed from the 2D barcode for Item 9 (Other First and Middle Names Used)

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